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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I write to oppose the petition by US Telecom to end enforcement of provisions of the 1996 Telecommunications Act.

I am a customer of Sonic, a small local DSL provider, who relies upon this part of the 1996 Telecommunications Act. I subscribe to Sonic because they provide better service and better reliability. Granting the petition would hurt competition, and I and other customers in my area would be hurt by the higher prices and fewer options for broadband Internet service.

These provisions of the Telecommunications Act are essential to competition. Ending them would not serve the public good.

Please do not grant this petition.

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